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TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities
of the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing

FROM: Peter L. LoPresti, Executive Secretary *PL*

SUBJECT: Implementation of Title 5 Regulations, Section 80065.1,
Supervision and Coordination Authorization of the
Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Instruction Credential

At its meeting on December 6, 1979, the Commission adopted Title 5 Regulations which establish requirements for obtaining authorization to supervise and coordinate bilingual programs. These regulations have recently become effective and read as follows:

"Section 80065.1. Supervision and Coordination Authorization of the Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Instruction Credential. The authorization of the Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Credential shall allow the credential holder to supervise and coordinate bilingual programs under the following minimum requirements:

1. Possession of a basic teaching credential.
2. Possession of a valid Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Credential.
3. Three full years of full-time bilingual classroom experience.
4. Demonstration, to the satisfaction of the Commission, of competence in the following areas by means of completion of academic course work at a Commission-approved institution of higher education, or equivalent experience gained through a recognized district-sponsored staff development program coordinated with an approved IHE:
 - A. Knowledge of those factors which effect improvement in a bilingual education program.
 - B. Knowledge of sound bilingual personnel management techniques.

- C. Knowledge of the dynamics of school-community relations.
- D. Knowledge of the principles and practices of bilingual education program management.
- E. Knowledge of effective techniques used in the development of administrative leadership qualities.
- F. Knowledge of fiscal control and budgeting in bilingual education programs."

The purpose of this coded correspondence is to specify the two acceptable methods for verifying completion of requirement #4, which are:

1. An official letter from the dean of the school of education of an institution approved to offer and recommend for the Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Instruction Credential. The letter should state that the applicant, who holds a Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Instruction Credential, possesses the required competence, based on course work completed at the institution, or on passage of an examination equivalent to the course work, or on a combination of course work and an examination. The letter should also identify the course or courses. In addition, a transcript should accompany the application for the added authorization; OR
2. An official letter from the superintendent of the school district in which the applicant is teaching. The letter should indicate that the applicant, who holds the Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Instruction Credential, possesses the required competence, based on in-service instruction. The time, place and title of the in-service should be identified. In addition, the letter should be co-signed by the dean of the school of education which participated in the in-service instruction.

An authorization to supervise and coordinate bilingual programs will be issued by the Commission to a candidate who:

- a. successfully completes requirements as specified in Section 80065.1, and
- *b. submits a complete application, including
- *c. a \$30 application fee, and
- d. verification, in the form of a letter from the candidate's employer, of three full years of full-time bilingual classroom experience, and
- e. verification of the completion of requirement #4 by one of the two methods described above.

* A Bilingual Cross-Cultural Specialist Instruction Credential and the authorization to supervise and coordinate bilingual programs may be obtained by a qualified candidate on one application form and \$30 application fee, if applied for at the same time.